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SUBJECT: NSDD-188 IG Structure (C)

National Security Decision Directive, NSDD-188, integrated
national emergency preparedness planning policy into the existing
policymaking structures of the National Security Council (NSC).
A Senior Interagency Group for National Security Emergency
Preparedness (SIG-NSEP) was established to advise and assist the
Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs on
national security emergency preparedness policy issues. An NSEP
focal point on the NSC (Director, National Security Emergency
Preparedness) was also created to coordinate policy formulation.
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The SIG-NSEP is responsible for establishing subordinate Inter-agency Groups (IGs). The IGs are intended to focus on national level policy issues and the development of policy options. The SIG-NSEP, after reviewing the final reports of the Emergency Preparedness Working Groups and the Policy Level Steering Group's recommendations, has established IGs to address the following areas: energy vulnerabilities, civil defense and national mobilization. The Department of Energy, the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the NSC will chair the respective IGs. The National Mobilization IG will include a specific subgroup chaired by Treasury to address economic measures and financial infrastructure vulnerabilities impacting NSEP. (U)

The National Communications System's Committee of Principals will continue to function as the interagency group on NSEP telecommunications reporting to the NSDD-97 Steering Group. The NSDD-97 Steering Group is responsible for ensuring coordination of an NSEP telecommunications activities with the SIG-NSEP. (U)

Departments and Agencies are to complete unfinished items from the National Plan of Action (NPA) developed by the Emergency Mobilization Preparedness Board as a part of their normal responsibilities. Final reports may be submitted to Director, NSEP, as appropriate. Implementation reporting will not be required by the NSC or SIG-NSEP. The Department or Agency with primary responsibility for the subject area will be responsible for monitoring implementation. (U)

The SIG-NSEP will consider establishing additional IGs as necessary to address other national level policy issues identified by the NSC or the Departments and Agencies. These policy issues should be submitted to the NSC focal point for consideration by the SIG-NSEP. This policy does not discourage the formation or continuation of other interagency arrangements for considering NSEP topics. (U)

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